

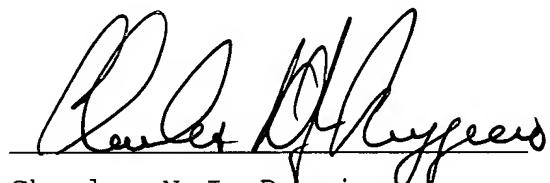
**REMARKS**

Claims 23 through 44 are pending in this application. Claims 1 through 22 have been cancelled.

It is respectfully submitted that any amendments made herein are neither narrowing nor made for substantial reasons related to patentability. Therefore, any amendments made do not create prosecution history estoppel. As such, the doctrine of equivalents is available for all of the elements of the claims.

It is submitted that pending claims 23 through 44 are allowable. It is respectfully urged that this application be passed to allowance.

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